

Remarks

Claims 12, 16, 18 - 24, and 27 - 29 are pending. Allowance is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action of December 16, 2008, claims 22 - 24, 27, and 28 were indicated as allowable. Claim 29 was indicated as allowable, but objected to as dependent on a rejected base claim. Claim 29 has been amended by inserting the text of claim 10 and defining R¹ as set forth in claim 29. Claim 29 should thus be allowable.

Claims 12, 16, and 18 - 21 were formerly dependent upon claim 10, which has been cancelled. These claims have been amended to be dependent upon allowable claim 22, and thus should be allowable as well.

Applicants submit that the claims are now in condition for Allowance, and respectfully request a Notice to that effect. If the Examiner believes that further discussion will advance the prosecution of the Application, the Examiner is highly encouraged to telephone Applicants' attorney at the number given below.

Please charge any fees or credit any overpayments as a result of the filing of this paper to our Deposit Account No. 02-3978.

Respectfully submitted,

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